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(*H.R.H. The Prince of Wales at Windsor, November 25th, 1924*).

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Dear Mr. Thompson

May I congratulate you on your splendid scheme for the increase of the Dudley Guest Hospital. It seems perfect, & you have a grand foundation, & a history of proved usefulness to rely on. People like to help something they know of, rather than to start something new.

I am sure your Hospital will always keep alive the precious spirit which animates the work of Voluntary Hospitals

This may be summed up, not by the words "What do you want?" but by the words "What can we do for you?"

Yours sincerely
Knutsford

General View of the Hospital.

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PROPOSED MAIN ENTRANCE.

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Foreword.

SINCE before the coming of Christianity the fundamental aim of the medical vocation has been service of the sick according to their needs, and not according to any other circumstance.

The paramount ground of appeal of the sick man for medical aid is his sickness; and beside that every other claim fades into insignificance.

Not his worth, not even his deserts, but his suffering is his valid claim. Rich, poor, learned, illiterate, the applauded of society and the outcast, allies, enemies, criminals, each as ailing man must have all that medical science and skill of the time can give towards healing or relief.

To this fundamental claim wealth, rank or power add nothing, nor can their absence diminish it.

The principle, though seldom expressed in words, is everywhere immanent in medical work, and has guided every development of medical practice.

This ideal has been upheld through centuries of changing social conditions, and has been maintained through every form of government and every mode of worship.

A moment's imagination will show how vastly different medical service would have been had any other principle prevailed.

In a society which has become more and more completely organised on a commercial basis medical practice has consistently moved above commerce, and the commercial exploitation of the sick man has been left—too freely left—to the money-getting quack.

An ideal is a matter of aim. Attainment can seldom be complete.

But the student of medical history cannot withhold respect and admiration as he comes to know in their varied forms, the altruistic efforts consistently made by doctors and sympathising laymen so that no suffering man should lack medical aid.

The voluntary hospitals are one outcome of such effort. That was the motive of their origin, and that has been the essential factor in their maintenance up to the present.

The effort has even over-run its goal, for here freely at the service of the poor is a lavishness of equipment and service and a range of ability in doctors, nurses and other workers, such as money is powerless to command.

The like scarcely exists for the middle classes, while for the very richest they are but rare.

Nowhere more than in the voluntary hospitals, has the principle been maintained that medical need and too poor to pay for it is the sole measure of a patient's claim.

Those who would set up any other principle might bring temporary aid to the hospitals at the cost of subtly poisoning their life impulse.

C. W.

A Short Story of the Hospital.

THE present buildings were erected by the late Earl of Dudley, at the instance of his agent, Mr. Richard Smith, for the accommodation of workers who had become blind in the Dudley limestone pits.

They were originally designed for almshouses, and this intention may be seen in their architectural form.

They were never used as such to any extent, and after having been altered by the late Earl of Dudley were given by him to the Town and District for use as a Hospital. They were endowed by the late Mr. Joseph Guest, a local manufacturer, by a gift of £20,000. The first patient was admitted on January 6th, 1872.

In September, 1912, the Out-patient Eye Department was transferred from the Dudley Dispensary to the Hospital and the hope expressed at the time that the change would be in the best interests of those needing ophthalmic treatment has been fully realised.

Something of the value of this department to Dudley and district can be estimated when it is realised that during the last five years over 52,000 attendances have been made at the Out-patient Department by people suffering from various eye diseases. In the same period 2,000 Eye cases have been admitted to the Wards.

OUT-PATIENT AND CASUALTY DEPARTMENT.

CHILDREN'S WARD.

New departments for those needing treatment of a special nature have been established from time to time. Amongst the more recent of these may be mentioned the Artificial Sunlight Apparatus installed in 1926, and the Ear, Nose and Throat Department opened in 1927.

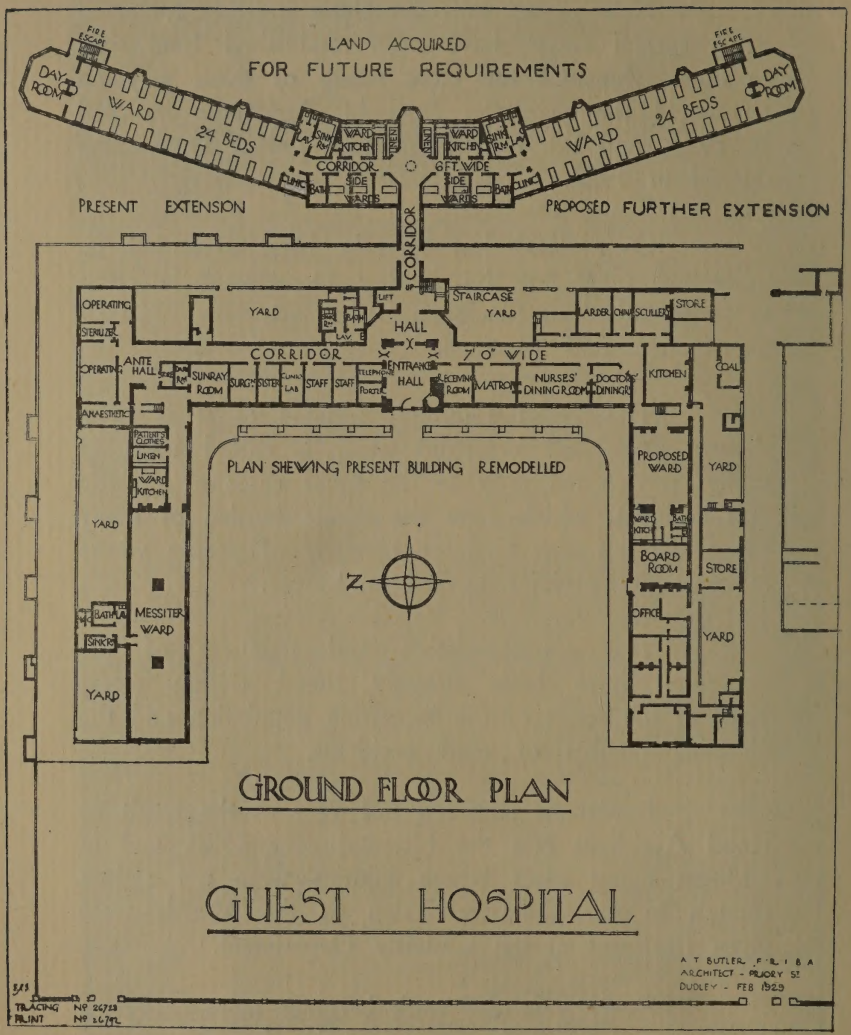
Over £500 has recently been expended on additional plant for the X-Ray Department in order to meet the ever-increasing demands for X-Ray examination and treatment.

The Guest Hospital, situated as it is in a densely populated industrial area, is called upon to render service not only to the usual cases of malady and accident, which form the whole burden of many Hospitals, but also to large numbers of people whose ailments are peculiar to industrial areas.

The accommodation and resources of the Institution have been severely taxed during recent years as the result of the increasing population and the alarming number of road accidents.

In-patients admitted last year as the result of Road Accidents cost the Hospital over £500, and in addition many cases whose injuries were not serious enough to necessitate admission to the Wards were given treatment at the Casualty Department.

Every year the work becomes more strenuous. Every year the call for accommodation becomes greater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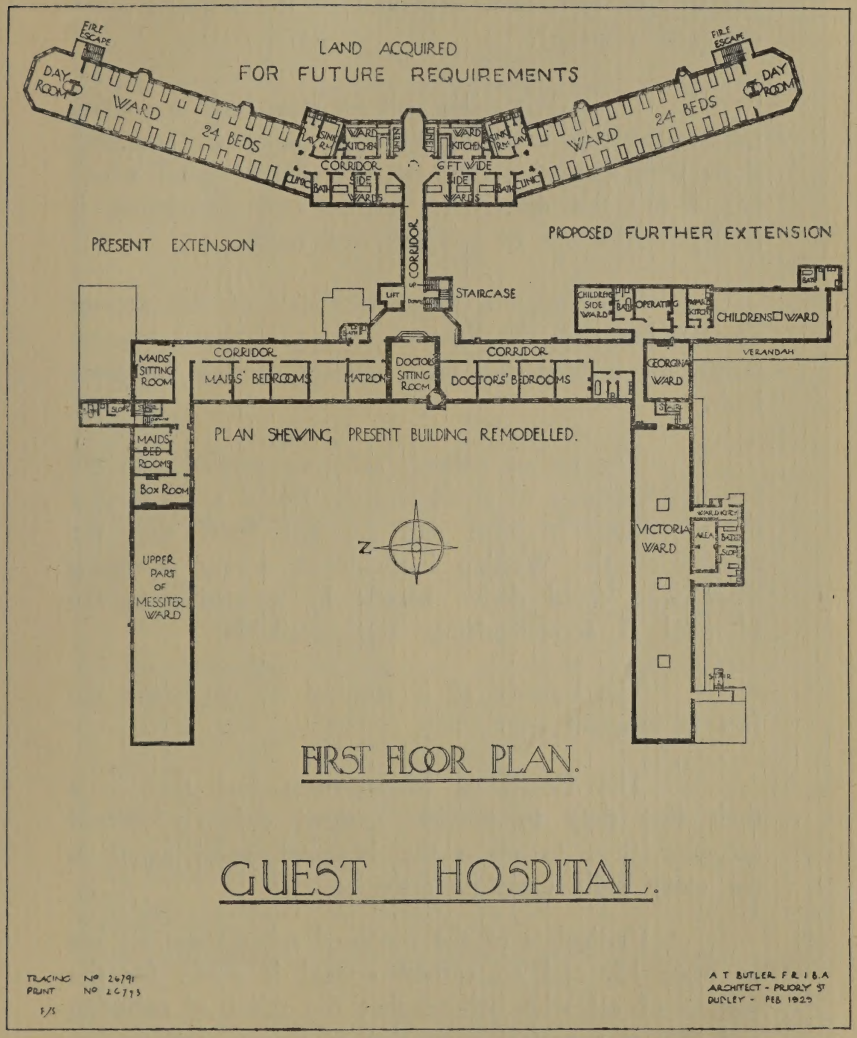
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(as will be seen from a perusal of the statistics given on another page).

This ever-pressing call for more beds, a waiting list so long that many urgent cases cannot be admitted, show with increasing emphasis that the Hospital which has served the district for nearly two generations is totally inadequate to meet present needs.

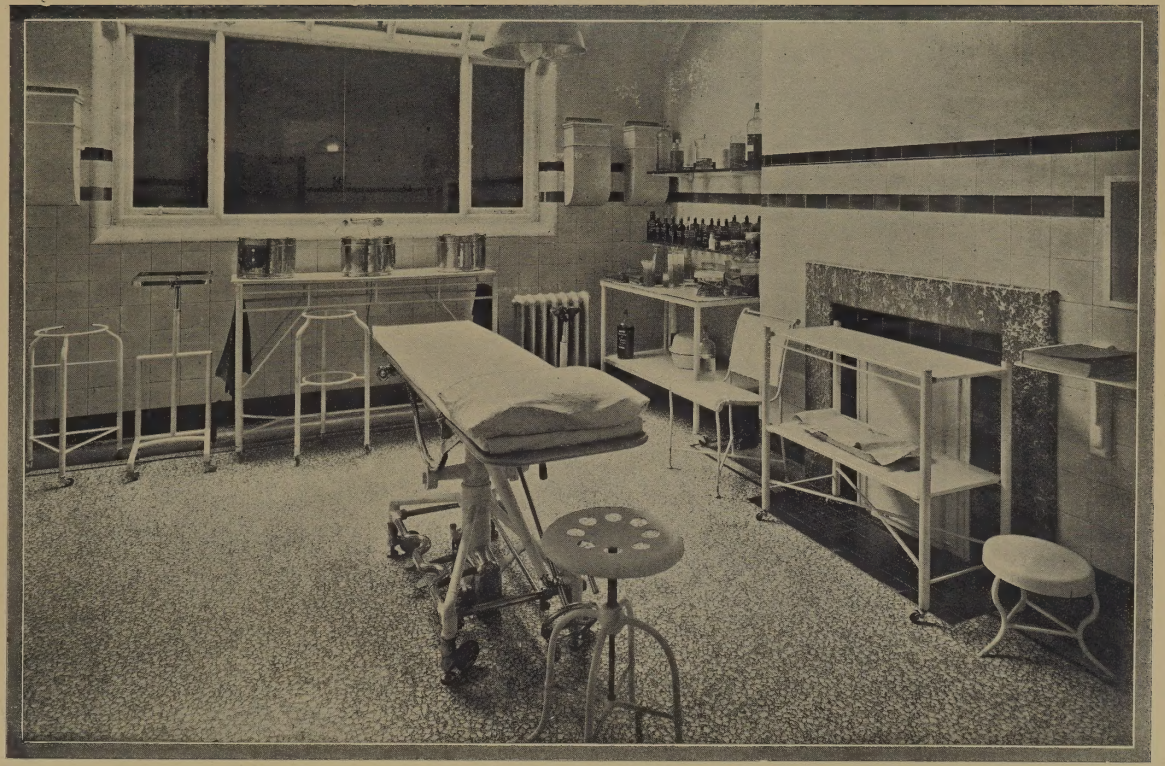
Many as are the deficiencies of the present accommodation in the light of modern Hospital requirements, the greatest and most clamant need is for more beds.

The list of patients awaiting admission to the Hospital continues to grow, and the Board are informed by the Hon. Medical and Surgical Staff that the number on the Waiting List by no means represents those who could derive benefit by admission to the Hospital if accommodation were available.

The tragedy of it requires no emphasis; the fact is eloquent enough.

The Board of Management feel that it is their first duty to provide *without delay* additional accommodation to make the Hospital more equal to the many calls upon its activities.

Particulars of the proposed scheme are set out on page 13, and an earnest appeal is made for the support of all who believe that the relief of suffering and pain is a perfect expression of voluntary effort.



An Operating Theatre.

NURSES' HOME. Opened March, 1927.

The Proposed Extension Scheme.

Details of the Scheme.

The Scheme proposed is to build at once two ward units of two storeys each. Each ward unit will be self-contained with ward kitchen, clinic room, lavatory, and bathroom, sluice room and linen rooms. These ward units will give an increase of 108 beds, but when the suggested alterations to the existing buildings are carried out this number will be reduced by 23, giving a total increase of 85—making 189 beds in all.

The new wards will be erected without interfering with the working of the existing Hospital, and the remodelling of certain of the present wards will not be undertaken until the new accommodation becomes available.

Paying Patients.

Special single bed wards will be provided for observation purposes and for patients who may wish to take advantage of the Hospital service and at the same time are able and willing to pay.

The present carriage-way will become the main entrance, and corridors right and left will connect up the new wards with the existing wards, operating theatres, administrative block, main kitchen and dining rooms.

The main corridor running east will give access to the new ward units, and will also be the axis on which will be placed future developments. The upper floor will be similar in plan—a staircase and lift will connect the two floors—the new and present buildings will then form one whole, with complete and easy communication between each department.

Such a scheme will provide Dudley and district with up-to-date Hospital accommodation, and at the same time the picturesque architectural features of the present buildings will be left undisturbed.

Cost of the Scheme.

It is estimated that the total cost will be at least

Fifty Thousand Pounds.

In order that the working of the Hospital will not be interfered with in any way, the Scheme will be carried out in four stages:—

	Approximate Cost.
One Ward Unit of two storeys, providing on each storey 24 beds, and three single-bed wards, with kitchen, lavatory and bathroom, sluice room, linen rooms, and connecting corridor - - - -	£20,000
New Laundry, Boiler House, etc., to replace existing services which are out of date and uneconomical - -	£5,000
Further Ward Unit of two storeys - - -	£20,000
Remodelling of certain portions of the existing Hospital -	£5,000
	£50,000

The Work of the Hospital.

There are still many people who do not fully realise the immense volume of work which is performed year after year by the Voluntary Hospitals of this country. The following figures will convey some idea of the call which is made upon the services of The Guest Hospital.

During the year 1928, 2,108 patients were treated in the Wards, and 55,468 Out-patient attendances were made. These were drawn from the following districts:—

Amblecote.
Belbroughton.
Bilston.
Birmingham and Suburbs.
Blackheath.
Bournemouth.
Bradley.
Brierley Hill.
Brockmoor.
Cardiff.
Clent.
Coseley.
Coventry.
Cradley.
Cradley Heath.
Dudley.
Enville.
Gornal Lower.
Gornal Upper.
Gornal Wood.
Hagley.
Hart's Hill.
Halesowen.
Himley.
Holly Hall.
Kingswinford.
Kinver.
Lye.
Manchester.
Netherton.

Oldbury.
Old Hill.
Pensnett.
Quarry Bank.
Quinton.
Round Oak.
Rowley Regis.
Sedgley.
Springfield.
Stourbridge.
Swindon.
Tipton.
Wall Heath.
Walsall.
Wednesbury.
West Bromwich.
Wollaston.
Wollescote.
Wombourne.
Woodsetton.
Woodside.
Wordsley.
Wolverhampton.

A comparison of the number of patients receiving treatment to-day compared with the statistics of past years will be of interest:—

	In-patients Treated	Number of Operations Performed	Total Out-patient Attendances
1888	674	139	—
1908	950	226	—
1928	2108	1758	55,468

An Appeal for £50,000.

In presenting this brochure the Board of Management have endeavoured to place the position as concisely as possible before the public. Having pledged themselves to provide the increased accommodation which is so urgently needed, they appeal to you for help to raise the money required for the realisation of the beneficent project.

Donations may be sent to:—

The Chairman of the Hospital (E. J. Thompson),
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Lloyds Bank Ltd., Dudley.

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National Provincial Bank Ltd., Dudley.

The Secretary (H. Raymond Hurst),
The Guest Hospital, Dudley.

A Sitting Room (Nurses' Home).

TO THE SECRETARY,

THE GUEST HOSPITAL, DUDLEY.

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